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Practice makes perfect

Bob Devaney, . . . tenured professor of football science teaches his team a thing or two as spring football practice opened Monday. See story on page 4.

Unicameral postpones Vietnam resolution

A resolution before the Nebraska Legislature petitioning Congress to order a pullout of American forces from Vietnam by April 1, 1972, was referred to committee Monday to prevent an effort on the floor to kill it. Sen. John DeCamp, introducer of the resolution, moved to send the resolution to the Reference Committee which in turn will assign it to a standing committee. DeCamp said he knew an effort to kill the resolution with as little publicity as possible had been organized.

"The standing committee will set a public hearing," DeCamp said. "I want this to be the biggest public hearing ever held on any bill with the widest possible publicity."

NO HEARING DATE will be announced until the proper standing committee is chosen.

In other Legislative Action, LB 446, a bill sponsored by Sen. Ernie Chambers to outlaw corporal punishment in Nebraska schools, narrowly survived another attempt by Sen. Duke Snyder to kill it.

Snyder moved to send the measure back to enrollment and review to select file for a specific amendment, presumably either to kill or to further dilute the bill. Snyder's motion, however, fell one vote short of the required twenty-five votes, 24-17-8.

Snyder said he had faith in educators to handle discipline problems.

"If they leave me to do the legislating, I will leave them to do the educating," he said. "Parents just don't accept their responsibility, and to take corporal punishment away from the schools would only lead to expulsions."

Chambers, suffering from a back injury and supporting himself on crutches, attacked the Legislature calling the senators "hollow men."

"It is a sad commentary on public education and this Legislature when it becomes the policy in this state that violence in the classroom is an integral part of the educational system," he said. "If this bill is killed, remember that students have the same right to self-defense as the teacher has."

Chambers got surprising support from Omaha Sen. William Skarda, formerly an opponent of the measure.

Skarda said he had done some "soul-searching" and decided that the "difficulty with kids today should be solved by the parents not the schools." He added that the corporal punishment bill was "worth a try."

Snyder also surprised the Unicameral by saying he would vote for the bill on final reading if the motion to kill failed.

Nevertheless, the 24 votes against LB 446 on Monday will be a formidable obstacle to overcome when the measure is read for the last time.

Wimmer blasts 'toy government'

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"ASUN will never be attractive to students until it stops being a toy where we go down and practice government. It's really a farce."

Bruce Wimmer, student senator from Arts and Science, has been an outspoken critic of many ASUN activities this year.

He has often voted with the minority on Senate issues, sometimes a minority of one. Wimmer sees his role as "balancing the teeter-totter" of student government, a teeter-totter which he believes is overloaded on one side.

"ASUN got off to a bad start with the strike last year," Wimmer stated. "The strike showed how ASUN was willing to use the students."

WIMMER CRITICIZED the townhall meetings used to vote on striking and said student government shouldn't ignore the students who don't vote in such elections. Another way of voting against the strike should have been provided, he added. It seems ridiculous to make students miss class to vote against missing class.

The strike wasn't that bad, some very good things came out of it, Wimmer said. However, he criticized the takeover of the ROTC building and attempts to put the University's name behind the Cambodian protest.

Rather than endorsing the strike, Wimmer argues, ASUN should have provided a forum for discussion.

Wimmer also lambasted the PACE campaign. He said ASUN made an emotional appeal for a "rigid proposal" rather than making a real attempt to determine student opinion. Most students, in Wimmer's opinion, weren't aware of everything the PACE program involved.

WIMMER ADDED that both the strike and PACE were attempts to use "student apathy" as an excuse to ignore many opinions. The apathy, he suggested, might be a "qualified apathy" of frustration and alienation resulting when students see student government "playing games and using them."

He faulted ASUN President Steve Tiwald for wearing a black armband to the Nixon rally last January because, in Wimmer's view, he violated student's freedom of expression by expressing his individual feelings while acting as an official representative. (Tiwald announced beforehand that he was acting as only an individual)

"If they felt that strongly about expressing their personal feeling on the war they should have stepped down as student representatives." It would have been just as bad if he'd worn an "I am for Nixon" button, Wimmer concluded.

Wimmer also attacked ASUN's handling of the controversy over the Michael Davis and Stephen Rozman cases. He said the Senate acted irresponsibly by trying to get the Regents to appear at open meetings to discuss their decisions. It would have done no good he added, to take the Regents before the public "to be manipulated" by demonstrators.

"ASUN MUST become more representative, Wimmer emphasized. "but even more so they have to become more reasonable and more responsible. It should stay within issues that are directly related to the University and student body."

Some students, Wimmer commented, use ASUN as a tool to "relieve their consciences" because they can't work effectively in state and national government. Senators naturally hold views on many issues, he noted, but should confine their ASUN activities to student related areas.

Student services such as the ASUN zerox machines are

especially good, Wimmer explained, but much more would be accomplished if the Senate wasn't using its time and money on others issues.

WIMMER IS NOT running for reelection because he said he will graduate in December and enter the Air Force through the ROTC program. He expressed a regret that his role of opposition had prevented him from doing more constructive things in student government.

Wimmer said many of his stands would have never been taken if he was running for reelection but it "had to be done and I had nothing to lose by doing it. I think I represent a large portion of the student body who were never represented before."

He predicted that next year will be "crucial" for ASUN. He said his and other student's activities had started a trend toward "balance" in student government but there will be another "frustrating year" before it gets straightened out.

New class schedules are 'unwieldy, but expendable'

Students preparing to register for the fall semester are in for a surprise. Instead of the book-sized schedule of classes which has been used, students will receive two tabloid size schedules—one for fall semester and one for next spring.

The change in format has been made for two reasons, according to Gerald Bowker, director of registration and records.

"The cost of printing the schedule was lowered by using this format," said Bowker, "and the new schedules allow us to present a schedule of classes for next spring as well."

The switch to the tabloid format (tabloid is half regular newspaper size similar to the Daily Nebraskan) has allowed the schedule to be cut from 140 to 35 pages. Although Bowker admits that the new schedule literature is unwieldy, he noted that it is more expendable than the old booklet.

Bowker said the new

schedules will be ready for release to students at the end of this week.

Despite the change in the schedule booklet, students will still use the familiar worksheets and computerized course request forms in filing their registration.

By making the schedule of classes available this far in advance the student will "get a look at the total picture of his future" Bowker said.

"This is the first time the schedule has been planned this far ahead," said Bowker. Any changes that may be made in the schedule between now and next spring are not likely to be major ones.

Registration literature for both summer sessions is available now in the Administration Building, and the new literature will be made available by the end of the week.

Pre-registration for the fall semester will begin April 5 and continue until April 23.